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TO AMEMBASSY ROME  
AMCONSUL NAPLES

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SUBJECT: U.S. SUBSIDIARIES IN NAPLES

REF: NAPLES 115, 99 AND PREVIOUS

1. CONGEN'S TIMELY REPORTING ON SUBJECT ISSUE HAS CLEARLY IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL PROBLEM, INDICATING THAT THE POSSIBLE ACTIONS OF 3-4 U.S. SUBSIDIARY FIRMS IN NAPLES MAY HAVE RATHER EXTENSIVE IMPLICATIONS BECAUSE OF VOLATILE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT. IN OUR VIEW, CONSUL GENERAL TOOK APPROPRIATE LINE WITH LOCAL MANAGERS WHO PRESUMABLY HAVE PASSED ON THESE VIEWS TO THEIR HOME OFFICES (NAPLES 99). ALSO, WE UNDERSTAND THAT REPRESENTATIVES FROM SEVERAL OF THE SUBSIDIARIES' HOME OFFICES HAVE HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH CONGEN NAPLES AND WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS. HOWEVER, AS CONGEN HAS SUGGESTED, HOME OFFICES MAY TAKE MORE DETACHED VIEW OF SITUATION IN NAPLES THAN LOCAL EXECUTIVES.

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2. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE

RECEIVING FROM ROME AND NAPLES THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO ANY USEFUL ACTION, IN ADDITION TO THE STEPS ALREADY TAKEN BY THE CONSUL GENERAL, THAT WASHINGTON MIGHT CONSIDER. IF THE POSTS BELIEVE FURTHER ACTION AT WASHINGTON LEVEL IS ADVISABLE, ADDITIONAL DATA WOULD BE HELPFUL IN CONSIDERING THE POSTS' RECOMMENDATIONS.

(A) FOR NAPLES: DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING ATTITUDES OF POLITICAL AND LABOR LEADERSHIP IN THE AREA TOWARD U.S. FIRMS' ACTIONS AS OUTLINED IN CONGEN REPORTING. ALSO, WE WOULD WELCOME ANY ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE INFORMATION WITH REGARD TO THE ACTIONS AND POSSIBLE INTENTIONS OF OTHER FOREIGN SUBSIDIARIES AS WELL AS ITALIAN FIRMS IN THE AREA.

(B) ROME: PROBLEM IN NAPLES REFLECTS PREVAILING MEZZOGIORNO DIFFICULTIES AND REPRESENTS, CONSEQUENTLY, A SPECIAL CASE. HOWEVER, WE WOULD WELCOME THE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF THE ATTITUDES AND INTENTIONS IN SIMILAR CASES OF U.S. FIRMS AND OTHER FOREIGN SUBSIDIARIES IN OTHER AREAS OF ITALY. ALSO, EMBASSY ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL IMPACT ON US-ITALIAN RELATIONS WITH RESPECT TO NAPLES SITUATION WOULD BE MOST USEFUL. INGERSOLL

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